

Attorney Docket No. 659-1714  
KC 19348 and 19396

**DECLARATION FOR UTILITY OR DESIGN PATENT APPLICATION**  
**(37 C.F.R. §1.63)**

As a below named inventor, I hereby declare:

My residence, mailing address, and citizenship are as stated below next to my name;

I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor or an original, first and joint inventor of the subject matter that is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled:

**CUSTOMIZABLE ABSORBENT ARTICLE WITH EXTENSIBLE LAYERS**

the specification of which (check one)

☐ is attached hereto.

☒ was filed on December 30, 2003 as United States Application Application No. 10/750,404 and was amended on \_\_\_\_\_ (if applicable).

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

I acknowledge my duty to disclose to the United States Patent and Trademark Office all information that I know to be material to the patentability of this application as defined in 37 C.F.R. §1.56, including for continuation-in-part applications, material information which became available between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT international filing date of the continuation-in-part application.

I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under 35 U.S.C. §119(a)-(d) or (f), or §365(b) of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's or plant breeder's rights certificate(s), or §365(a) of any PCT International application which designated at least one country other than the United States, listed below and have also identified below, by checking the box, any foreign application for patent or inventor's or plant breeder's rights certificate(s) or PCT International application having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed.

Prior Foreign Application(s):

Priority  
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I hereby claim the benefit under 35 U.S.C. §119(e) of any United States provisional application(s) listed below:

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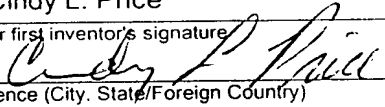
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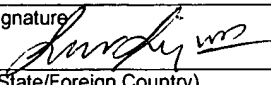
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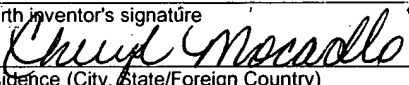
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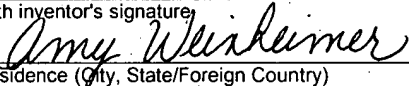
I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under 18 U.S.C. §1001 and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

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### POWER OF ATTORNEY

The specification of the above-identified patent application:

- ☐ is attached hereto  
☒ was filed on December 30, 2003 as application Serial No. 10/750,404

I hereby revoke all previously granted powers of attorney in the above-identified patent application and appoint the following attorneys to prosecute said patent application and to transact all business in the Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith:

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The undersigned hereby authorizes the U.S. attorneys named herein to accept and follow instructions from Amanda M. Church as to any action to be taken in the Patent and Trademark Office regarding this application without direct communication between the U.S. attorney and the undersigned. In the event of a change in the persons from whom instructions may be taken, the U.S. attorneys named herein will be so notified by the undersigned.

Kimberly-Clark Worldwide Inc., a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of Delaware, having a place of business at 401 North Lake Street, Neenah, Wisconsin 54956, certifies that it is the assignee of the entire right, title and interest in the patent application identified above by virtue of either:

- ☒ An assignment from the inventor(s) of the patent application identified above, a copy of which is attached hereto.  
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The undersigned (whose title is supplied below) is empowered to act on behalf of the assignee.

I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true, and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further, that these statements are made with the knowledge that willful false statements, and the like so made, are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001, Title 18 of the United States Code, and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issuing thereon.

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